REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the above amendments and the following remarks and discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4, 6-7 and 10 are pending in this application. By this amendment, Claims 1 and 7 are amended; Claim 8 is canceled; and no claims are added herewith. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter is added by this amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1, 3-4, 6-7 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over English translation of JP 2000-287110 to <u>Tsunoda</u> in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,738,075 to <u>Torres</u>; and U.S. Patent No. 6,223,190 to <u>Aihara</u>; Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over <u>Tsunoda</u>, <u>Torres</u> and <u>Aihara</u> and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,930,709 to <u>Creamer</u>; and Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over <u>Tsunoda</u>, <u>Torres</u> and <u>Aihara</u> and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,035,323 to <u>Narayen</u>.

It is respectfully submitted that none of the applied art teaches or suggests a unit which, each time a picked-up image is linked to an HTML document, displays a size of an image file thus linked and the total size of the image files that have been linked before and a unit which, after forming an HTML document, reduces the size of one or more of the original picked-up images linked in a uniformed manner to a desired size, as recited in Claim 1.

The Office Action acknowledges that <u>Tsunoda</u>, <u>Torres</u> and <u>Aihara</u> do not disclose the features of the claimed invention discussed above. However, the Office Action asserts that <u>Narayen</u> makes up for this deficiency. Applicant respectfully disagrees. Specifically, <u>Narayen</u> merely discloses, as best shown in Figure 6b, a process for creating a media container, such as a picture album. In step 261, the picture management system determines an ordered list of pictures for an album. In step 263, the album authorizing software determines a selected layout and style for the album and in step 265, the software determines

the set of album pages, assigns a unique number of each slot on the ordered set of album pages, and assigns the ordered list of pictures to the numbered slots. In step 269, the album software scales each picture if necessary to cause it to fit into the corresponding slot on the album page.

Accordingly, there is no teaching or suggestion for a unit that displays a size of an image file linked to an HTML document and the total size of the image files that have been linked before and after the HTML document has been formed, reduces the size of one or more of the picked-up images in a uniform manner to a desired size. Again, Narayen merely discusses scaling the size of a picture to fit into a corresponding slot on an album page. In accordance with the features of the claimed invention, it is possible to control increasing HTML files sizes to a desired size at once. The applied art does not disclose the features of the claimed invention discussed above and therefore, cannot provide at least the advantages discussed above. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) is respectfully requested.

Consequently, no further issues are believed to be outstanding in the present application, and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance.

A Notice of Allowance for Claims 1-4, 6-7 and 10 is earnestly solicited.

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Should the Examiner deem that any further action is necessary to place this application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned representative at the below-listed telephone number.

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